

MISSOURI HOCKEY, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Durso, Scott Smith, Tom Woolf, Pat Culiberk, Larry Hellwig, Charlie Busenhart, Mark Pecoraro, Mike Rynes, Craig Ragland, Shawn Deaver, Bill Baker, Julie Jordan, Tim Deimeke, Lloyd Ney, Goran Petric.

NON-VOTING MEMBER PRESENT: Deb Hellwig, Steve Brickman, Joe Kalin.

MINUTES

Chris Durso called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with 10 voting members present (plus Chris). At the conclusion of the meeting there were 14 voting members present and Chris.

1. **CEP Report.** This position is still vacant. Chris is still looking for a candidate. Any with a suggestion should contact him.
2. **ADM Report.** Chris is putting together a list of those who attended the coaches symposium. They will get CLE credit from USA Hockey.
3. **SafeSport Report.** Chris reports that we have a couple of new cases and Scott Gray is working on those cases.
4. **Player Development Report.** Nothing new to report at this time.
5. **Player Safety Report.** Steve Brickman will be taking over this position with the approval of the board. Welcome Steve.
6. **Youth Division Report.** Scott smith reports that the declaration season is now underway. It began last week. There has been an application proposal for the creation of a new club to play out of the Car Shield facility that will be up and running soon. It is suggested that the new club will service the western St. Charles County area. Scott has appointed a committee to study the viability of this new club. The committee will come up with a recommendation. There may well be an appeal for whatever Youth Division decides. Scott is looking for authority to retain legal counsel to guide us through this process. Motion to allow him to retain counsel by Larry Hellwig, second by Goran Petric. Approved by vote of 14-0-0.
7. **Mid-States High School Report.** St. Louis County has asked for \$3 million in insurance. We only have \$1 million from USA Hockey. They are currently working on the varsity schedule. When that is done, they will move on with JV. The league will be going to cashless ticketing this season. They received 5 hardship requests all of which were denied.
8. **Mississippi Valley High School Report.** Mike reports that all is going well.
9. **Girls/Women's Report.** No report. Jayne will be approving two women's rosters.

10. **Adult Hockey Report.** Not much to report. There was a hearing on the Buha Matter he may appeal the ruling.
11. **Disabled Report.** Nothing new now. Deb is working with Tim to answer a question from DASHA.
12. **Referee's Report.** Joe Kalin reports that the New Horizon software is now up and running. All appear to be satisfied with the program's performance. Mark Pecoraro reports call to USA Hockey regarding the mentor program. They have a goal of 100 games. Mark Pecoraro moves for a grant from Missouri Hockey in the sum of up to \$5,000, to be paid out on an invoice basis. Second by Tim Diemeke. Approved by vote of 14-0-0.
13. **Minutes.** Correction to minutes regarding revised MVCHA penalty times for JV only. Motion to approve minutes as amended by Tim Deimeke, second by Charlie Busenhart. Passed by vote of 13-0-1.
14. **Registrar Report.** Deb Hellwig reports that our total registration is currently 12,420. We have 9,024 players and coaches, which is up from last year at this time. Deb approved 530 rosters to date of which 461 are team rosters.
15. **Treasurer's Report.** Tom Woolf reports that the Affiliate and Special Activities accounts are both balanced and reconciled to August 29, 2025, statements. Main balance to date is \$362,029.65. Special Activities account balance is \$16,523.67. Affiliate CD balance is \$213,882.55. Festival CD balance is \$53,470.63. We received a transfer from USA Hockey on August 28, 2025, in the sum of \$27,586. Total transfers to date \$63,081 through July 25, 2025. The electric, rent, phone and internet for August 2025 have been paid. Our business liability and umbrella policy premiums have been paid for the year. There was a \$425 increase over last year. The USA Hockey audit was held on September 15, 2025. Chris Durso and Tom met with Kelly Mahnke (VP of Finance at USA Hockey) and Jill Goodwin (Auditor from Waugh and Goodwin). The audit took about 2 hours. All aspects of Missouri Hockey financials, recordkeeping, procedures and taxes were covered. No major issues were discovered, and a few suggestions were made. A full written report will be sent to us and we will need to respond within 30 days. The full report and written response will be shared with the Board. Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by Larry Hellwig, second by Craig Ragland. Approved by vote of 14-0-0.
16. **Website Report.** Tom Woolf reports that the travel permit changes on the website have gone very well. Everyone needs to complete the conflict-of-interest form who has not already done so.
17. **Rules & Disciplinary Report.** Pat Culiberk reports that they are currently working on two cases.
18. **Coaching Symposium.** Chris Durso is working with USA Hockey to put this together in early November. More to come on that.
19. **Next Meeting.** October 22, 2025.
20. **November/ December Meeting.** Because of the holidays we traditionally have one meeting for November & December. That meeting will be scheduled for December 10, 2025.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;

Larry H. Hellwig

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